



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **KANOKOGI, KEN et al.**

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For: **BELT FOR CONTINUOUSLY VARIABLE TRANSMISSION**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 20, 2003

Sir:

Applicants amend the application before the first Office Action following the October 27, 2003 Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

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